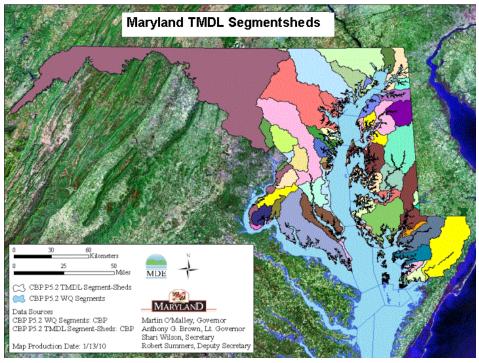


Maryland Chesapeake Bay TMDL Watershed Implementation Plan



October 13, 2010 – Annapolis















Draft Plan Orientation

Eight Elements

- 1. Interim and Final Nutrient and Sediment Target Loads
- 2. Current Baseline Loading and Program Capacity
- 3. Account for Growth
- 4. Gap Analysis
- 5. Commitment & Strategy to Fill Gaps "Options"
- 6. Tracking and Reporting Protocols
- 7. Contingencies To Be Determined based on Public Review
- 8. Appendix with Detailed Targets and Schedule













Setting Allocations

"Final Target Loads" – By 2020

- Based on Objective Allocation Method:
 - Unbiased for or against any sector
 - Set Point Source Loads to Tributary Strategy Caps*
 - Set Nonpoint Sources to:

"Equal percent reduction of *Reducible Load*"

Credit given for past reductions









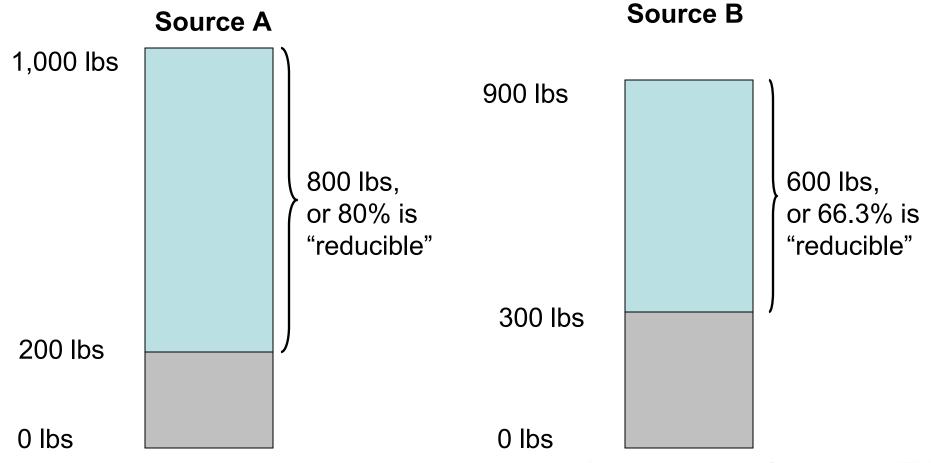


^{*} Approximately



Equitable Allocation Method

Example:







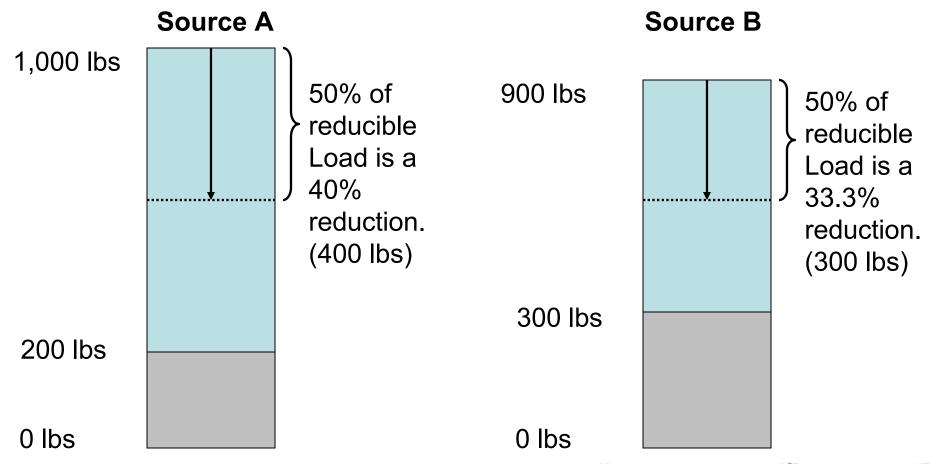






Equitable Allocation Method

Example: 50% of Reducible Load...









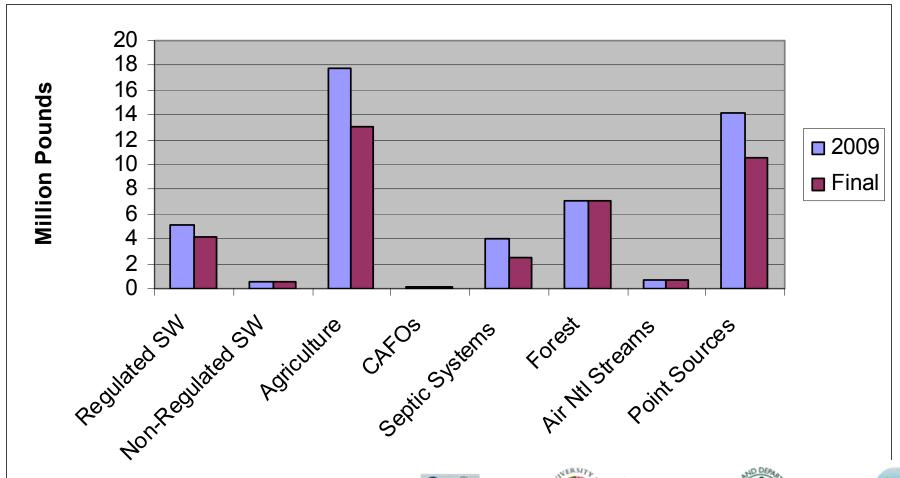






Final Target Loads

2009 vs Final Target for **Nitrogen** by Sector:











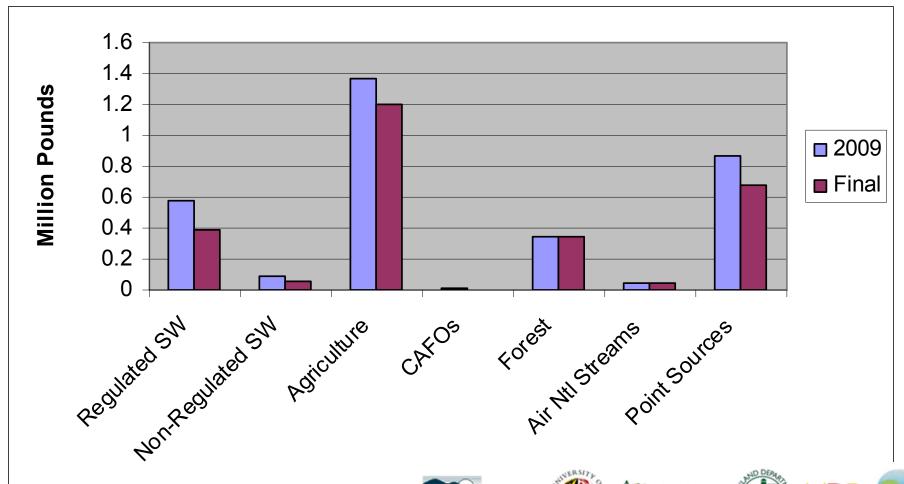






Final Target Loads

2009 vs Final Target for **Phosphorus** by Sector:















Accounting for Growth in Loads

- 1. Power Plant Atmos. Cap Strategy (In Place)
- 2. Wastewater Cap Strategy (In Place)
- 3. EPA requirement to Offset NPS Loads:
 - a. Loads from New Land Development
 - b. Loads from New Septic Systems







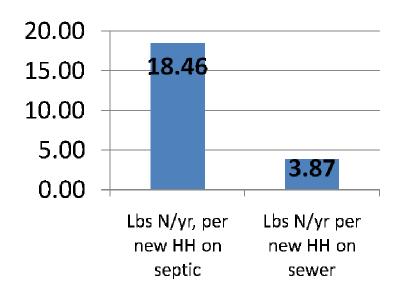








Accounting for Growth in Loads



263,225 Additional Households
Forecasted in Maryland (2010 -2020)
29% served by septic tanks
71% served by ENR WWTP

Large Lots, No Sewer,
Highest per capita N
loads
(no sewage caps, fewer
MS4 permits)

Sewered
Development:
Small Lots,
Lowest per
capita N Loads
(regulation:
WWTP Caps,

MS4 permits)















Offsetting New Loads

- Approach is Outlined in the Plan:
 - Has Incentives to Promote Smart Growth
 - Proposes Three Types of Geographic Areas:
 - Low load/capita (dense development areas)
 - Intermediate load/capita
 - High load/capita (low density areas)
 - Offsets tighter in lower density areas
- Option for Local Alternative Approach
- Schedule Envisions 2013 Implementation
- Trading System is Essential Element
 - Similar to system for Wetlands Mitigation













Interim Target by 2017

Highlights of Proposed Strategy Options:

WWTPs

- Complete ENR Upgrades for Major Municipal Plants
- Upgrade Several of the Largest Minor Municipal Plants to ENR
- Reductions for minor industrial plants

Septic Systems

- Offset Future Septic System Loads
- Connect Failing Systems to WWTPs
- Range of options for upgrading septic systems

Stormwater

- Offset Loads from New Development
- Range of options for retrofitting old developed lands including Phase II permits and non-MS4 jurisdictions.
- Increase urban nutrient management















Strategy Option Highlights (Con't)

Agriculture

- Manure Incorporation to Reduce Ammonia Emissions
- Precision Agriculture to Optimize Fertilizer Use
- Numerous other options

Natural Filters

- Range of Options on Private and Public Lands
- Atmospheric Sources
 - Implement State Healthy Air Act
 - Implement federal Clean Air Act
 - Various vehicle emissions options















Finalizing Phase I Plan

Public Stakeholder Process:

- Sept. 1: Preliminary Draft Released to Public
- Sept. 24: Final Draft Released for Public Review
 - Comments Due November 8
- Sept. 27 Oct. 6: Four Public Meetings
- Oct. 12, 13, & 14: Three EPA Public Meetings
- Oct. 18: Stakeholder Advisory Committee (SAC) Meeting
- Late October: SAC Presents comments to Maryland Bay Cabinet
- Incorporate Public Comments by Nov. 29













Finalizing Phase I Plan (Con't)

Anticipated Plan Revisions:

- Finalize Interim and Final Targets:
 - Supported by EPA Model validation
 - Subject to revision in Phase II
- Select Strategies for 2017 Interim Target (Chapter 5):
 - Starting point for Phase II Dialogue
- Provide Cost Estimates (Chapter 5)
- Provide Timelines for Implementation (Chapter 5):
 - Planning Steps
 - Legislative & Regulatory milestones
 - Implementation Target Date
- Identify Contingencies (Chapter 7)
- More Detail on Verification of Implementation













Comments on Phase I

Submit Comments on WIP in Writing electronically to:

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... or by mail to:

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- Suggestions for Comments:
 - Strategy Options: Focus on most and least desirable options.
 - Allocations: Are they "reasonable?" If not, suggest changes.
 - Funding Recommendations













Phase II Process

Overview

- Intent of Plan:
 - Set Planning-Level Target Loads for Implementation
 - More Geographic Detail of Target Loads
 - Opportunity to Revise Phase I TMDL Allocations
 - More Implementation Detail
 - Opportunity to Revise the Strategies
 - Provide consistent context for local watershed planning
- Timeline for Phase II Plan:
 - June 1, 2011: Draft
 - June Nov:
 - Model Verification
 - Public Review
 - Plan Revision
 - November 1, 2011: Final













Phase II Process (Con't)

- General Approach
 - State "Liaisons"
 - State Steering Committee
 - Identify & Invite Stakeholders Local Leads
 - Step-by-Step Schedule
 - Support Materials, e.g., WIP Document Template
 - Request Essential Local Information
 - Discuss & Refine Strategies and Target Loads
 - Reach Consensus, Use State Default or Hybrid
 - Identify 2-yr Milestones by end of 2011













Phase II Process (Con't)

• 2011 Schedule

December: Regional Orientation Meetings

January: Initial Working Meetings

Feb/March: Initiate Allocation Discussions

April/May: Finalize Allocation & Strategy Discussions

Wrap-up Draft Phase II Plans

June 1: Submit Draft Plan to EPA

June: Confirmation Model Runs (if necessary)

July: Revise/Adjust Draft Plans

August: Public Review

September: Finalize Documentation

November 1: Submit Final Plan to EPA











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